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SUBJECT: SIGNATURE OF EC/CANADA NUCLEAR SAFEGUARD  
AGREEMENT

REF: (A) BRUSSELS 19134 (NOTAL), (B) BRUSSELS 18533  
(NOTAL)

1. EC COMMISSIONER BRUNNER ON BEHALF OF EURATOM AND  
CANADIAN CHARGE SIGNED AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS JANUARY 16  
AMENDING THE 1959 EURATOM/CANADIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION  
AGREEMENT TO REFLECT CANADIAN REQUIREMENTS REGARDING  
NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AD REFERENDUM  
ON DECEMBER 9 (REF. B) AND APPROVED BY THE EC COUNCIL OF  
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FOREIGN MINISTERS ON DECEMBER 20 (REF. A).

2. THE AGREEMENT, ACCORDING TO A JOINT PRESS COMMUNIQUE  
ISSUED AFTER THE SIGNING CEREMONY, IS GENERALLY ALONG  
THE LINES REPORTED IN REF. B AND EARLIER MESSAGES. IT  
INCORPORATES A SEPARATE LETTER TO BE EXCHANGED WITH EACH  
MEMBER STATE REGARDING PHYSICAL SECURITY (WHICH IS

BEYOND THE PREROGATIVES OF EURATOM). SEPARATE BILATERAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE GOC AND MEMBER STATES WILL BE CONCLUDED REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF SENSITIVE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDING CANDU REACTORS. ASSURANCES HAVE ALSO BEEN OBTAINED THAT NO CANADIAN MATERIAL WILL BE USED IN FRANCE UNTIL "SAFEGUARDS ADMINISTERED BY EURATOM, AND VERIFIED BY IAEA, ARE IN PLACE", AND THAT PLUTONIUM DERIVED FROM CANADIAN URANIUM WILL BE USED ONLY IN THE FRENCH CIVILIAN PROGRAM.

3. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS COMMUNIQUE, IAEA VERIFICATION WILL APPLY IN CANADA AND EURATOM AND IAEA VERIFICATION IN THE COMMUNITY. "FALL BACK SAFEGUARDS" IN THE EVENT IAEA/EURATOM SAFEGUARDS ARE NOT APPLIED ARE PROVIDED FOR.

4. THE AGREEMENT INCLUDES INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS GOVERNING ENRICHMENT BEYOND 20 PERCENT, REPROCESSING AND STORAGE OF PLUTONIUM AND HIGHLY ENRICHED URANIUM DURING INFCE AND A SUBSEQUENT YEAR TO NEGOTIATE PERMANENT ARRANGEMENTS ACCORDING TO THE PRESS COMMUNIQUE. DURING THE INTERIM PERIOD, THE EC WILL "NOTIFY THE GOC PRIOR TO REPROCESSING, ENRICHING OR STORING CANADIAN MATERIAL TRANSFERRED AFTER DECEMBER 20, 1974" AND TO REPROCESSING MATERIAL DELIVERED BEFORE THAT DATE, AND THE TWO PARTIES WILL HOLD CONSULTATIONS TO ENSURE THAT ADEQUATE SAFEGUARDS ARE IN PLACE TO AVOID RISKS OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION.

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TION. A JOINT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP WILL MEET EARLY IN 1978 TO WORK OUT APPROPRIATE MODALITIES FOR SUCH NOTIFICATION AND CONSULTATIONS.

5. FOLLOWING THE SIGNATURE CEREMONY, THE CANADIANS INFORMED BRUNNER BY NOTE THAT IT WAS IMMEDIATELY ISSUING EXPORT LICENSES FOR ROUGHLY FIVE MILLION POUNDS U308 FOR THE UK AND 1.2 MILLION POUNDS OF UF6 FOR WEST GERMANY.

6. COPIES OF THE FINAL AGREEMENT WILL BE POUCHED TO EUR/RPE, OES/NET, AND DOE/IA AS SOON AS THE CANADIAN MISSION HAS RECEIVED THE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM OTTAWA TO RELEASE THE TEXT. HINTON

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